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1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT A RECENT ISSUE OF OFFSHORE RIG DATA SERVICE REPORT DEALT WITH A PORPOSED AMENDMENT TO JONES ACT WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THAT OIL DRILLING IN U.S. WATERS BE ONLY BY U.S. FLAG SHIPS. THIS AMENDMENT APPARENTLY SUPPORTED BY U.S. MARITIME UNIONS AND SHIPBUILDERS.

2. WHILE UNLIKELY THAT MANY SINGAPORE BUILT RIGS WOULD BE EMPLOYED OFFSHORE US, RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE MOST UNWELCOME TO SINGAPORE RIG BUILDERS, INCLUDING SEVERAL AMERICAN COMPANIES. RIG BUILDERS IN SINGAPORE HAVE BEEN HARD HIT BY PRESENT WORLDWIDE RIG OVERSUPPLY. SUBSTANTIAL NUMBER OF RIGS HAVE MOVED FROM SOUTHEAST ASIAN WATERS IN LAST NINE MONTHS. OF REMAINING RIGS, MANY ARE LAID UP WITHOUT CONTRACTS. NO NEW RIG ORDERS RECEIVED BY LOCAL YARDS IN LAST YEAR, AND WORK ON HAND NOT EXPECTED TO LAST THE YEAR.

3. ACTION REQUESTED:
EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE IN DEPARTMENT REGARDING PROPOSED LEGISLATION. SPECIFICALLY,
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STATUS OF LEGISLATION, LIKELIHOOD OF PASSING, AND

WHETHER OR NOT LEGISLATION WOULD REQUIRE THAT U.S.
FLAG DRILL SHIPS AND RIGS BE AMERICAN BUILT.
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